

# What is SLAT?

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### 1. SLAT is the Seismic Loss Assessment Tool

Current code and practices are highly focused on protecting life: we want to be sure what when a building is hit with a large (though rare) event, it will retain enough integrity for all the occupants to get out safely.

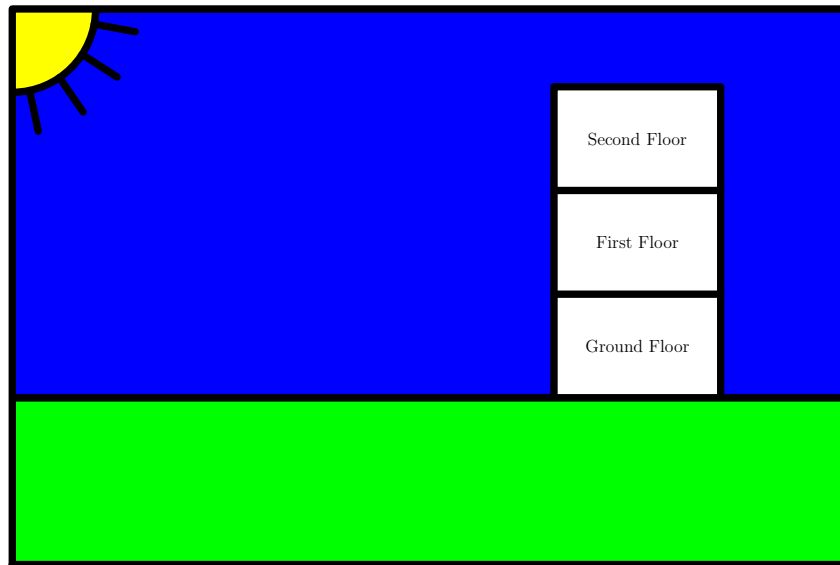
Throughout its useful life, however, a building may very well experience a number of smaller events, all of which may cause damage. SLAT attempts to answer...

### 2. The **BIG** question:

The one all your clients will ask..

### 3. What's it gonna cost me?

# A Building



*... peacefully minding its own business.*



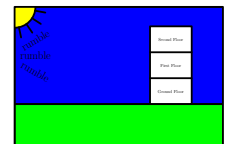
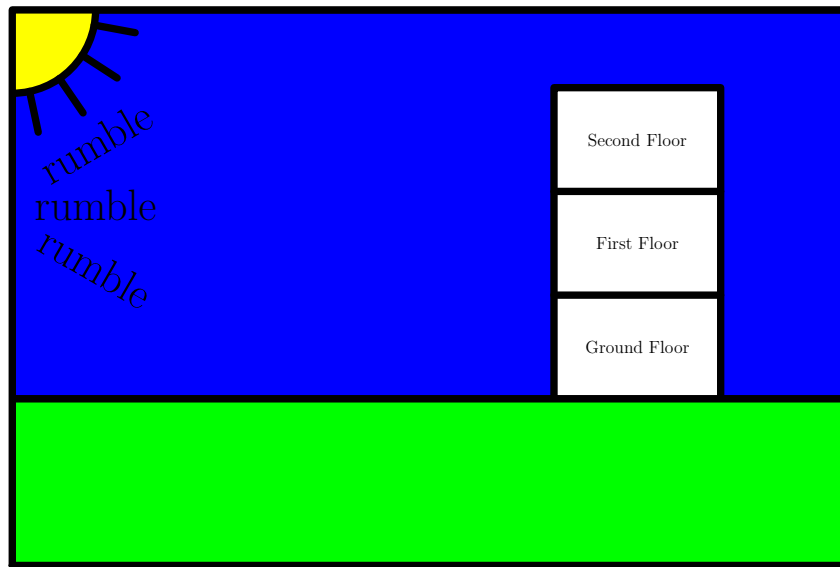
Let's consider how SLAT sees the world. SLAT is interested in a particular building, on a particular site.

As far as SLAT is concerned, a building consists of:

- Structural components
- Non-structural components
- Contents

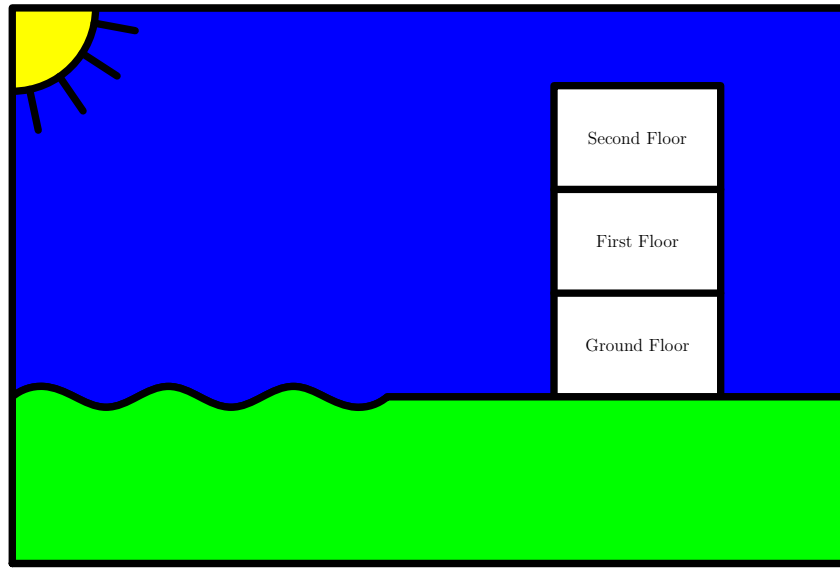
All of which can be damaged by an earthquake.

# A Distant Rumble...



While our building is peacefully minding its own business, far away an earthquake occurs.

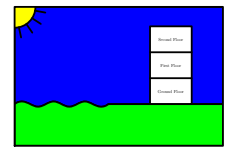
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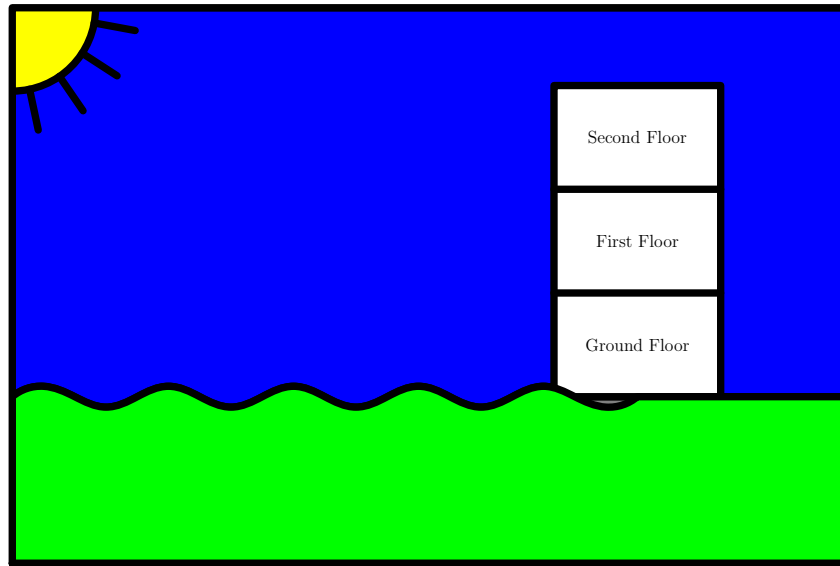
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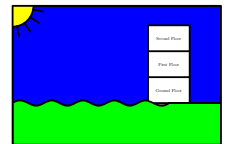


Energy from the earthquake hurtles towards our building as seismic waves!

# The waves reach the building site



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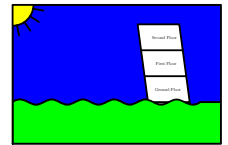
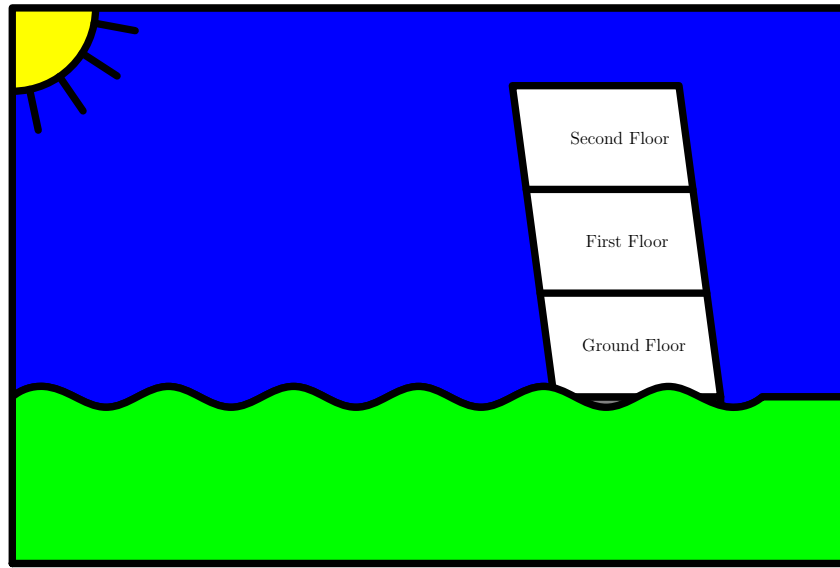


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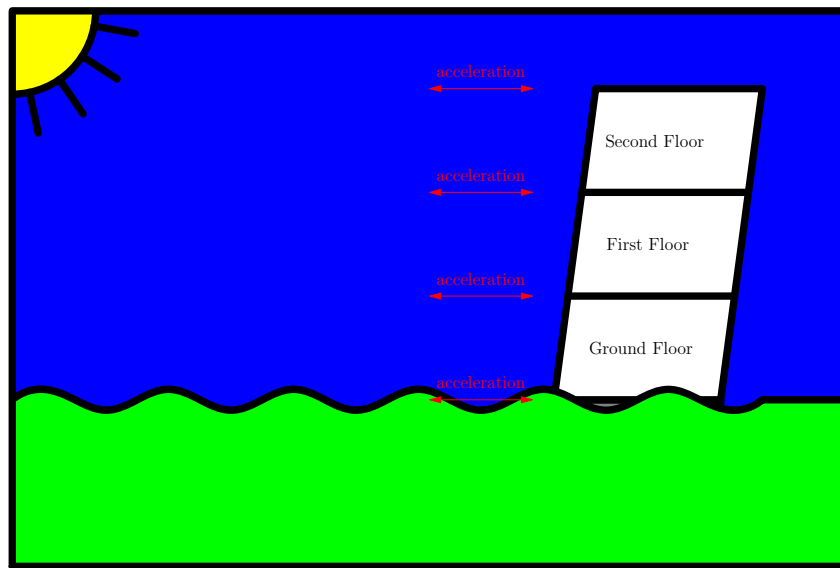
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# The building moves

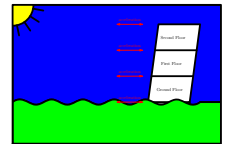


The ground motion is transferred to the building, causing it to move. This motion results in each part of the building being subjected to different forces, which SLAT refers to as *Engineering Demand Parameters*.

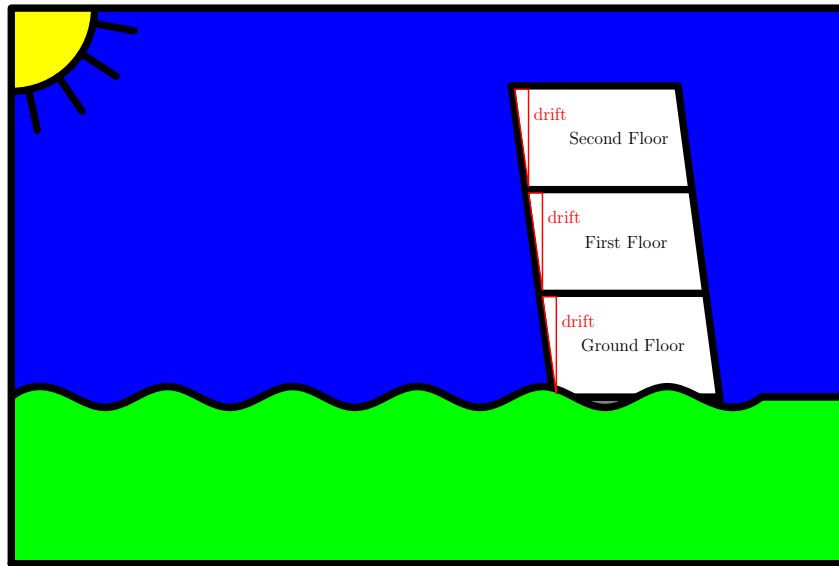
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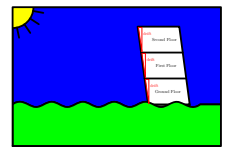
*Each level (including the base and the roof) experience acceleration.*



Acceleration is one of the engineering demand parameters that SLAT is interested in.



*When the floor and ceiling don't move together, we get inter-story drift.*



This is the other demand that SLAT is interested in. Drift and acceleration can both cause damage. Let's look at how SLAT understands this damage.



# Damage States

State	Description	Repairs	Demand	Cost
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DS1	Small cracks in GIB	Patch	0.0025	\$ 35
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DS2	Large cracks in GIB	Replace GIB	0.006	\$ 55
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DS3	Damage to metal frame	Reframe	0.014	\$130
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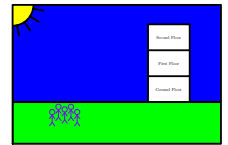
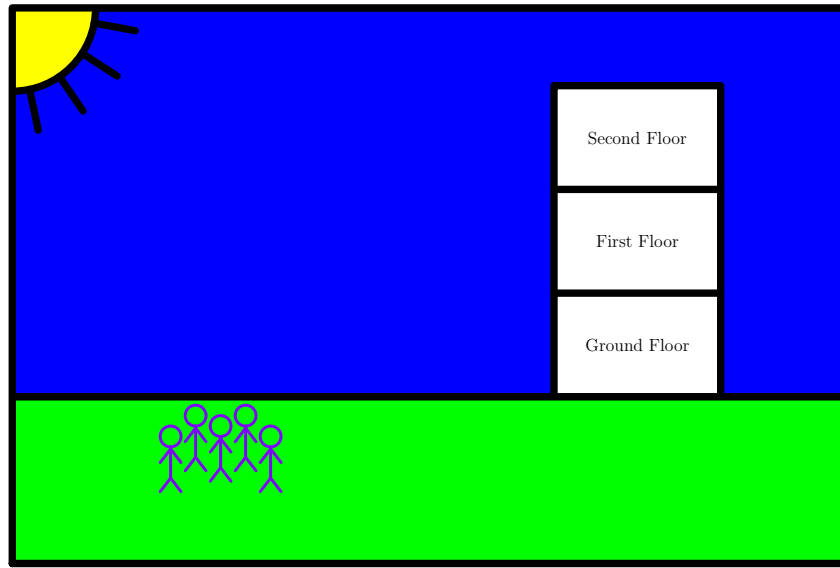
The engineering demands act on the components, possibly damaging them. In the SLAT database, each component is assigned one or more *damage states*. Each damage state specifies:

- A description of the damage and required repairs
- The level of demand at which this damage first occurs
- The cost of the repairs

For example, a full-height interior partition has these damage states. . . (step through the states)

This is simplified; the demand values and costs are actually probabilistic.

# Back to normal?



Let's go back to our building for a moment. The ground has settled down (for the moment), and everyone is safely out, and assembled at the designated assembly point. Yeah, structural engineering! But... how much will it cost to repair?

# SLAT bases its calculations on:

## The Performance-Based Earthquake Engineering (PBEE) framework

From the Pacific Earthquake Engineering Research Center (PEER)

## The work of UC Professor Brendon Bradley

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So, how does SLAT actually estimate the costs of an earthquake?

1. The calculations are based on the PBEE framework, from PEER
2. and the work of Brendon Bradley
3. which are summarized in the equation.

Being engineers, I'm sure you immediately grasp the significance of this, but I'll go over it for the benefit of any managers who may be here.

# The Left-Hand Side

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The left-hand side is, of course, our result.

1.  $\lambda$  is the annual rate of exceedence, and
2.  $DV$  is our 'decision variable'—in this case, cost.

So, we're going to be calculating the number of times a year (on average), we'd expect the cost of repairing a given component to exceed a certain value.

# The Outer Integral

$$\lambda(DV) = \int_{IM=0}^{\infty} \left[ \int_{EDP=0}^{\infty} \sum_{DS=1}^n G(DV|DS) G(DS|IM) \text{COST}|IM| dG(EDP|IM) \right] d\lambda(IM)$$

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The right-hand side is more complicated. A little, anyway. Let's take it a step at a time.

Look at the outermost integral.

1. This is considering every possible im value, from zero to infinity
2. with respect to the rate-of-exceedence of that value, and integrating the cost of repair given a particular im value.

So, how do we calculate the cost of repair for a given im value?

# The Inner Integral

$$\lambda(DV) = \int_{IM=0}^{\inf} \int_{EDP=0}^{\inf} \left[ \sum_{DS=1}^n \text{COST} | \text{EDP} \right] dG(EDP | IM) | d\lambda(IM)$$

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Moving to the inner integration, we're

1. considering all possible demand values,
2. with respect to the probability of getting that value from a given im and integrating the cost of repair given that demand level.

How do we calculate the cost of repair for a given demand?

# The Summation

$$\lambda(DV) = \int_{IM=0}^{\inf} \int_{EDP=0}^{\inf} \sum_{DS=1}^n \boxed{COST|DS} \Delta G(DS|EDP) ||dG(EDP|IM)||d\lambda(IM)|$$

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Moving in once more, we're at the summation.

1. This is looking at each damage state
2. assessing the cost of the component being in that state, and the probability of it being in that state, given the demand level.

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Now, the full equation doesn't seem so bad, does it?

Let's look at it again, piece-by-piece, and identify the information we need for the calculation.



# Hazard Curve

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Again working from the outside in, the first thing we need to know is

1. the annual rate of exceedence for a given IM value.
2. We can get this for our site using the process outlined in NZS 1170.

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Next, we need to know the probability the demand will exceed a specified value, given an im value.

1. This is the *demand probability curve*
2. It will come from your structural analysis.

# Fragility Function

$$\lambda(DV) = \int_{IM=0}^{\infty} \int_{EDP=0}^{\infty} \sum_{DS=1}^n G(DV|DS) \Delta G(DS|EDP) |dG(EDP|IM)| d\lambda(IM)$$

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1. Similarly, we need to know the probability of suffering each damage state, for a given demand value. This is the 'fragility curve' for the component.
2. This data is in SLAT's *component database*.

# Cost Function

$$\lambda(DV) = \int_{IM=0}^{\inf} \int_{EDP=0}^{\inf} \sum_{DS=1}^n G(DV|DS) \Delta G(DS|EDP) |dG(EDP|IM)| d\lambda(IM)$$

- Probability cost exceeding a given value, for each damage state ('cost function')
- Also stored in the SLAT component database

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1. ...and we need to know how likely the cost is to exceed a given value, for each damage state.
2. Also in the component database.

# Required Data

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1. Hazard Curve :: from NZS 1170
2. Demand Curves :: from structural analysis; more on that in a minute
3. Fragility Curves and Cost Functions :: SLAT component database
4. Components in the building :: based on building design and use
5. Mapping :: which demands affect a component depend on where it is, and whether it is sensitive to drift or acceleration

## Where do we get the demand curves?

- Non-linear Response History Analysis
  - Difficult & Time-consuming
  - May not be meaningful in early stages
- Simplified Approach
  - Equivalent Static Analysis
  - Modal Response Spectral Analysis
  - Apply Corrections:
    - Non-linear effects
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1. Could do Non-Linear Response History Analysis, but that's...
2. Difficult and time-consuming, and...
3. Might not be worth the effort, especially early in the design phase.
4. Instead, we use a simplified approach, where we do..
5. Equivalent Static Analysis, and...
6. Modal Response Spectral Analysis, and
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## FEMA P-58

### *"Seismic Performance Assessment of Buildings"*

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The corrections SLAT applies come from FEMA P-58. We'll feed it data...

1. from ETABS:  
(go over line-by-line)

# Additional Information:

- Return Period
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ETABS will provide much of the information we need. You'll need to provide additional information.



# Yield Strength

*FEMA's simplified approach provides an estimate range for the yield strength:*

$$\frac{1.5S_a(T)W}{R/I} \leq V_y \leq \frac{\Omega_0 S_a(T)W}{R/I}$$

*SLAT will do this calculation for you, and offer the middle of the range as a default value.*

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Yield strength is used in the FEMA corrections.

The FEMA framework applies the following correction to drift (acceleration is similar):

$$\Delta_i^* = H_{\Delta_i}(S, T_1, h_i, H) \times \Delta_i$$

where:

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This is the basic form of the corrections described by FEMA. Yield strength is used to calculate the strength ratio,  $S$ .

$H_{\Delta_i}(S, T_1, h_i, H)$  is computed from:

$$\ln(H_{\Delta_i}) = a_0 + a_1 T_1 + a_2 S + a_3 \frac{h_{i+1}}{H} + a_4 \left(\frac{h_{i+1}}{H}\right)^2 + a_5 \left(\frac{h_{i+1}}{H}\right)^3$$

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The coefficients  $a_0$  through  $a_5$  come from tables in the FEMA document, based on the number of stories and frame type. The tables are incorporated into SLAT.

# Limitations

The FEMA framework makes some assumptions, which may limit its usefulness:

- The framing systems are independent along each axis
- The building is regular in plan and elevation
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But what *is* SLAT, *really*?

## Seismic Loss Assessment Tool

- OpenSLAT :: C++ calculation engine
  - libslat :: shared library
  - pyslat :: Python bindings
  - <https://github.com/openslat/SLAT>
- WebSLAT :: Web interface
  - <https://github.com/openslat/webslat>

{{{SLAT}}} is the Seismic Loss Assessment Tool

1. OpenSLAT is the calculation engine, written in C++
2. Available as a shared library
3. ...with Python bindings
4. Hosted on github
5. WebSLAT is a web interface to SLAT, which we'll be using today.
6. Also on github

WebSLAT is installed on a virtual machine, which you'll be able to run on your own PC, using VirtualBox.

Let's have a look at it in action.

Switch over to the demo script.